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## PSC SCHEDULES PUBLIC MEETINGS ON PROPOSED SALE OF NORTHWESTERN CORP. TO BABCOCK & BROWN INFRASTRUCTURE LTD.

Members of the state Public Service Commission will hold meetings in communities throughout the state in February and March to hear public comments on the proposed acquisition of NorthWestern Corporation by the Australian firm Babcock & Brown Infrastructure Ltd. for \$2.2 billion.

The PSC proceeding to review the proposed transaction began last June when NorthWestern and Babcock & Brown filed a joint application with the PSC for authorization for BBI to acquire all of the common stock of NorthWestern and to assume its debt under an agreement and plan of merger. The PSC's technical hearing in the case is set to begin March 14 in Helena.

The schedule of public meetings is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Time</u>
Feb. 8	Bozeman	Senior Center Dining Room	807 N.Tracy Ave.	7 – 9 pm
Feb. 12	Butte	Red Lion Hotel Big Sky Room 1	2100 Cornell	6:30 – 9 pm
Feb. 24	Billings	MSU-B	Lewis & Clark Room	1:30 – 3:30 pm
March 1	Glasgow	Elk's Club	309 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. S.	1-3  pm
March 1	Hamilton	City Hall Upper level	223 S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> St.	7 – 9 pm
March 1	Havre	Hill County Electric	2121 Hwy. 2 NW	7 – 9 pm
March 5	Lewistown	Community Center	307 W. Watson St.	2-4  pm

March 5	Great Falls	MSU – College of Technology Heritage Hall	2100 16 <sup>th</sup> Ave. S.	7 – 9 pm
March 5	Kalispell	Outlaw Inn Winchester Room	1701 US Hwy. 93 S.	6:30 – 9 pm
March 7	Choteau	Teton County Court House – Court Room	101 Main Ave. S.	1 pm
March 7	Conrad	Norley Hall	400 N. Virginia	7 – 9 pm
March 8	Missoula	City Hall Counsel Chambers	140 W. Pine St.	7 – 9 pm
March 8	Browning	Tribal Counsel Meeting room	409 N. Piegan	10 am
		Blackfeet Communit College	of town, off of Hwy 2 & 89	1 pm
March 8	Cut Bank	Glacier Electric Building Community room	410 E. Main St.	7 pm
March 12	Helena	Carroll College Lower commons Avila/Desmet Room	1610 N. Benton Ave.	7 – 9 pm